

**WEST LAFAYETTE TRAFFIC COMMISSION
WEST LAFAYETTE CITY BUILDING
WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA**

TIME: 5:00 pm, Wednesday, February 20, 2008

PLACE: Lower Level Conference Room

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| PRESENT: | Dave Buck | Chris Leroux |
| | David Christian | Desiree Lord |
| | David Downey | Chris Pekny |
| | Bernadette Farris | |

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| VISITORS: | Doug Anderson | Jeromy Grenard |
| | Beth Cook | Ann Hunt |
| | Wendy Field | Kevin Miller |
| | Brandon Fulk | Natalie Villwock |

Mr. Buck called the meeting to order, and determined there was not a quorum.

OLD BUSINESS:

07-17 Champion's Centre

Mr. Fulk, representing The Schneider Corporation, stated that the developers had received approval of the access permits at the February Technical Transportation meeting. The developers can now move forward with their Final Detailed Plans.

The City would still like to "urbanize" this portion of Northwestern; add curb and gutter, sidewalks, and reduce the speed limit to 35mph. The City would also like to see a pedestrian crossing at both sides of Northwestern at Lindberg. Mr. Buck stated that the City has requested that INDOT perform a speed study on Northwestern.

Construction is expected to begin in late April 2008, with an opening anticipated in the fall of 2009. City Councilor Ann Hunt asked Mr. Fulk if the residents in the area would be kept informed of the progress of the development. Mr. Fulk stated that he was certain that Mr. Gall understands the need to keep the neighbors informed.

NEW BUSINESS:

08-03 Safe Routes to School

The City applied for and received two grants, totaling \$321,000. The first grant will fund new solar-powered flashing lights which will be installed in the school zones surrounding Cumberland and Happy Hollow elementary schools. The second grant will be used to create a SRTS plan for the city.

Mr. Buck stated that the West Lafayette proposal has been chosen as a Case Study by the National Center for Safe Routes to School and can be viewed at www.saferoutesinfo.org.

08-04 Towing Ordinance

Mrs. Hunt asked the commission if they had any input or questions regarding the Towing Ordinance proposed by City Councilor Paul Roales. Mr. Christian stated that as a parent of an IU student, he is familiar with how difficult it is to find parking in an unfamiliar college community. He stated that he would hate for visitors of our community to leave with the image of a predatory towing policy. Mr. Buck stated that communication, signage and cooperation are the keys to improving the towing policy.

NEXT MEETING: 5:00 pm, Wednesday, March 19, 2008.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D.M. Buck". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "D" and "B".

David M. Buck, P.E.
City Engineer

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